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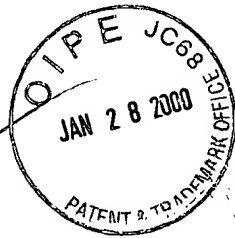
In re the application of

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For: USE OF ERYTHROPOIETIN IN THE TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS



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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 28, 2000

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 30, 1999 for three (3) months from October 30, 1999 to January 30, 2000.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of Eight Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$870.00) to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are required with respect to this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,
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